

**Reported Knowledge of Folic Acid Use for Birth Defect Prevention<sup>1</sup>**  
**Illinois PRAMS 2012**

	Percentage <sup>2</sup>	95% Confidence Interval	Respondents <sup>3</sup>	Estimated Population Affected <sup>4</sup>
<b>Total</b>	<b>79.6</b>	<b>76.7 - 82.2</b>	<b>867</b>	<b>119,952</b>
<b>Maternal Age</b>				
<20 yrs	54.2	40.7 - 67.0	44	6,059
20 to 24 yrs	71.5	63.6 - 78.2	130	20,428
25 to 29 yrs	76.7	70.5 - 81.9	216	30,040
30 to 34 yrs	86.1	81.7 - 89.6	294	39,542
>35 yrs	92.3	87.3 - 95.4	183	23,882
<b>Race/Ethnicity</b>				
NH White	84.3	80.8 - 87.2	505	68,771
NH Black	54.6	44.2 - 64.7	62	12,472
Hispanic	85.9	81.0 - 89.7	225	30,170
Other	75.5	64.1 - 84.2	73	8,163
<b>Education</b>				
<12 yrs	73.5	65.4 - 80.3	128	18,200
12 yrs	70.7	62.9 - 77.4	140	21,263
>12 yrs	84.2	80.8 - 87.1	587	79,036
<b>Birthweight</b>				
LBW	70.7	64.2 - 76.5	183	7,490
NBW	80.3	77.1 - 83.0	684	112,462
<b>Marital Status</b>				
Married	86.4	83.3 - 88.9	596	79,239
Other	69.0	63.5 - 74.1	271	40,713
<b>Medicaid Recipient*</b>				
Non-Medicaid	90.0	87.0 - 92.4	489	65,264
Medicaid	69.9	65.2 - 74.2	377	51,537

<sup>1</sup>**Survey Question 25:** Have you ever heard or read that taking a vitamin with folic acid can help prevent some birth defects?

<sup>2</sup>**Percentage** = Weighted percentage of Illinois mothers giving birth in 2012 with the specified indicator for each characteristic.

<sup>3</sup>**Respondents (N)**= Total number of mothers who responded to this question with Yes; total N = 1075 (Yes or No); Total N value for each characteristic varies due to unanswered questions, survey skip patterns, and invalid responses.

<sup>4</sup>**Estimated population affected** = Estimated number of Illinois mothers giving birth in 2012 with the specified indicator for each characteristic

\*Delivery paid for by Medicaid

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